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**BURKESVILLE DENTIST INDICTED FOR ILLEGALLY DISTRIBUTING
PRESCRIPTION PAIN KILLERS**

LOUISVILLE, KY - A federal grand jury in Bowling Green returned an indictment on June 6, 2007, against **DR. MARY TODD STEPHENSON**, age 50, of Burkesville, Kentucky, in Cumberland County, on charges of illegally distributing prescription pain killers without any medical purpose, U.S. Attorney David L. Huber of the Western District of Kentucky announced today.

The Indictment alleges that on November 29, 2006, Dr. Stephenson prescribed hydrocodone, a Schedule III pain killer, and that on January 23, 2007, and March 7, 2007, Dr. Stephenson prescribed Lorcet, a Schedule III pain killer, without any medical purpose.

In the event of a conviction, the maximum potential penalties are 15 years imprisonment, a \$750,000 fine, and supervised release for a period of 3 years. The indictment also seeks forfeiture of Dr. Stephenson's interest in her dental office, located on North Main Street in Burkesville, which was allegedly used to facilitate the offenses.

The case is being prosecuted by Assistant United States Attorney David Weiser, and is being investigated by the Drug Enforcement Agency and the Kentucky State Police.

Dr. Stephenson is scheduled to appear for arraignment before a United States Magistrate Judge on June 20, 2007, in Bowling Green, Kentucky.

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The indictment of a person by a Grand Jury is an accusation only and that person is presumed innocent until and unless proven guilty.

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